

# Welcome!

Lake Cochituate Path  
Natick, MA | Project File No. 610680

**Neighborhood  
Meeting**  
**12/8/2020 | 6:00 PM**

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# Introduction

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## IT Questions throughout this presentation:

- Please Call or Text Luke McInnis – (857) 288-8215

# Introduction

- MassDOT Project Manager
  - Michael Trepanier
- Local Partners
  - Director of Community & Economic Development Department, James Freas (Town of Natick)
  - Cochituate Rail Trail Advisory Committee Chair, Josh Ostroff (Town of Natick)
- Engineering Lead
  - Design Project Manager, Jonathan Kapust (HNTB)

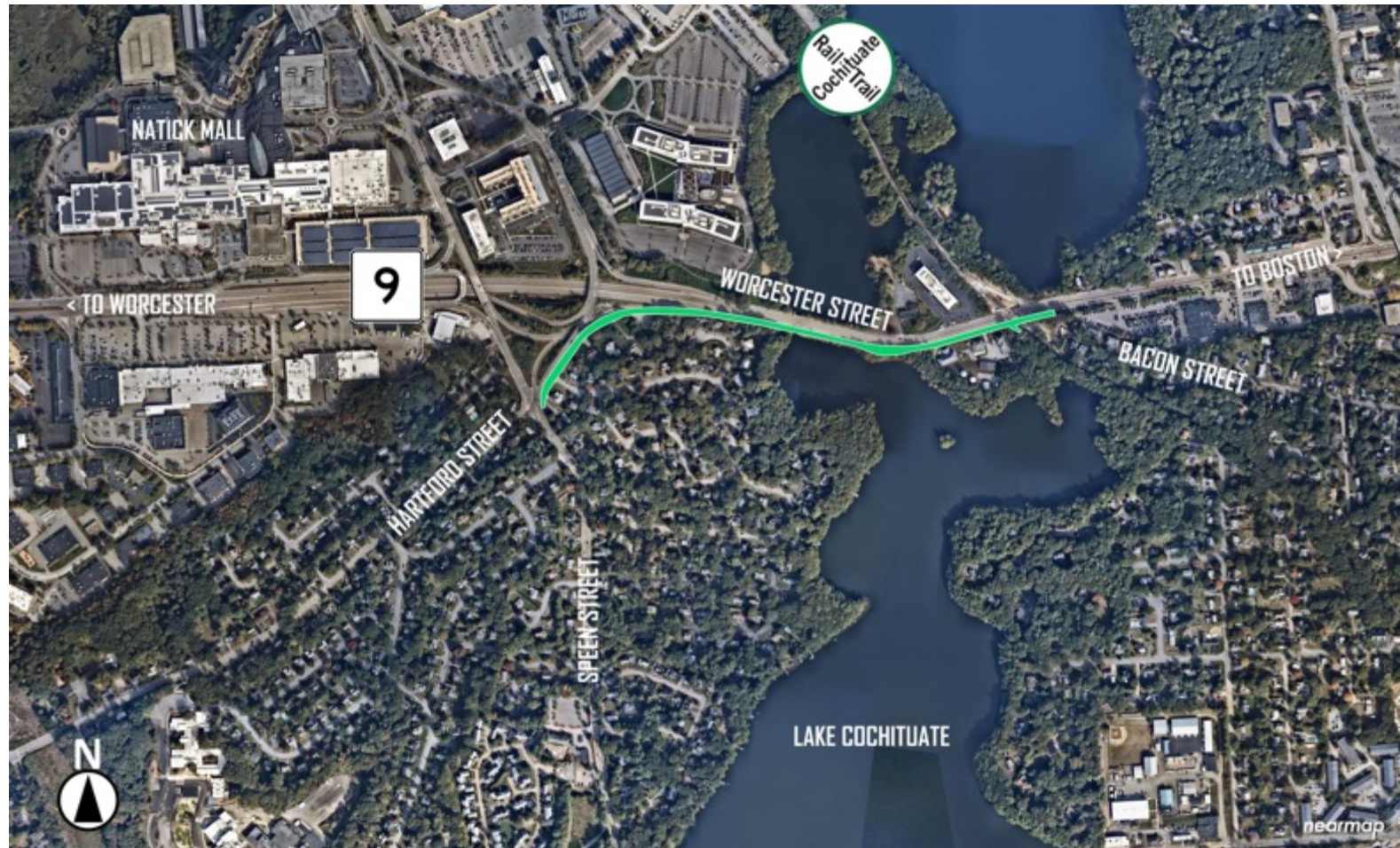


## Project Purpose

To provide a direct connection for bicycle and pedestrian access to the Cochituate Rail Trail from Hartford Street and Speen Street



# Project Area



Natick, MA



## Existing Conditions



Hartford Street looking to Speen Street



Hartford Street looking to Cul-de-sac

## Existing Conditions (cont.)



Back of Archer Drive on Route 9



Back of Hartford Street on Route 9



## Existing Conditions (cont.)



Back of Archer Drive on Route 9



Route 9 Eastbound approaching bridge

## Existing Conditions (cont.)



Route 9 Eastbound over Lake Cochituate



## Existing Conditions (cont.)



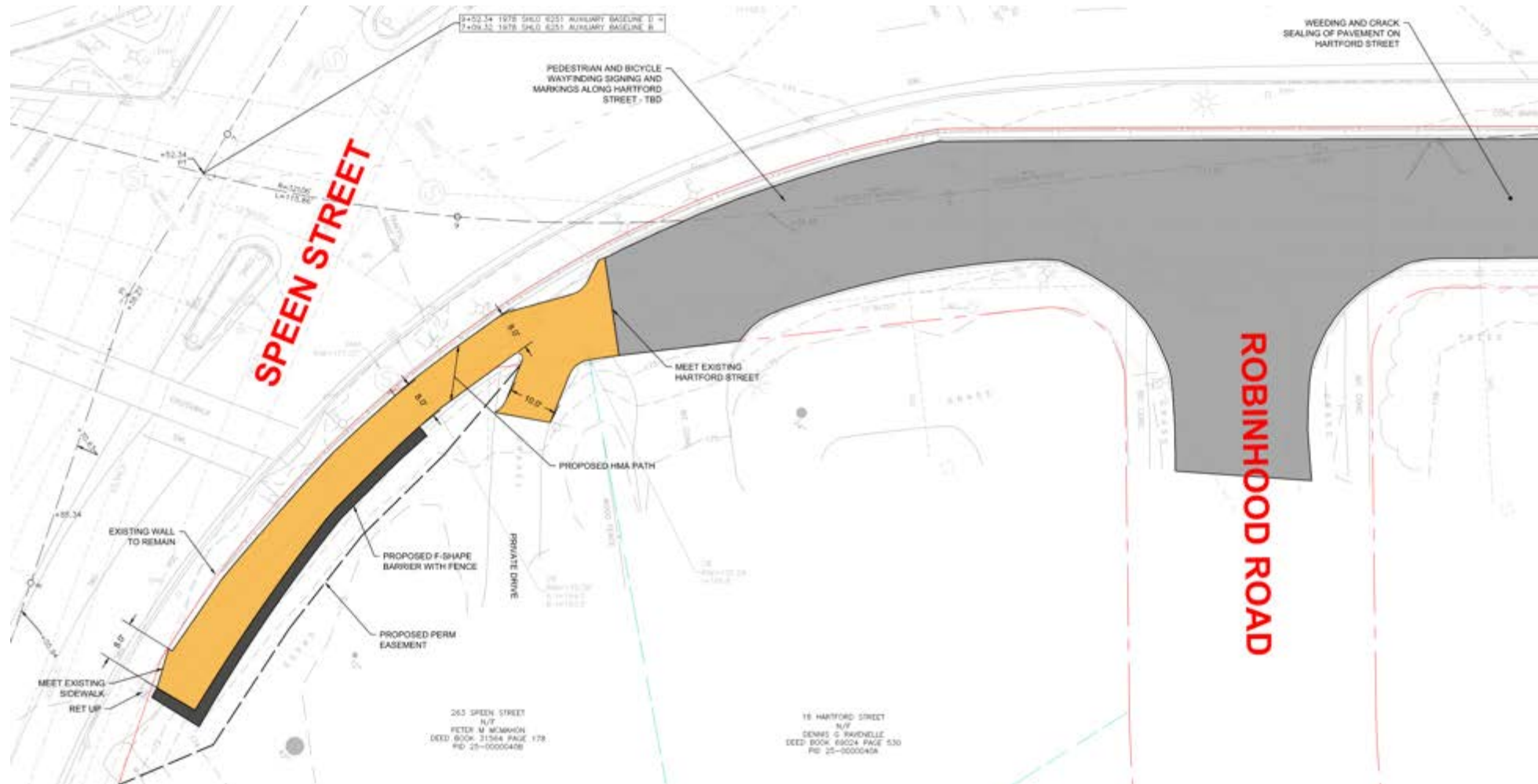
Route 9 Eastbound East of Bridge



Route 9 Eastbound at Water Treatment Plant

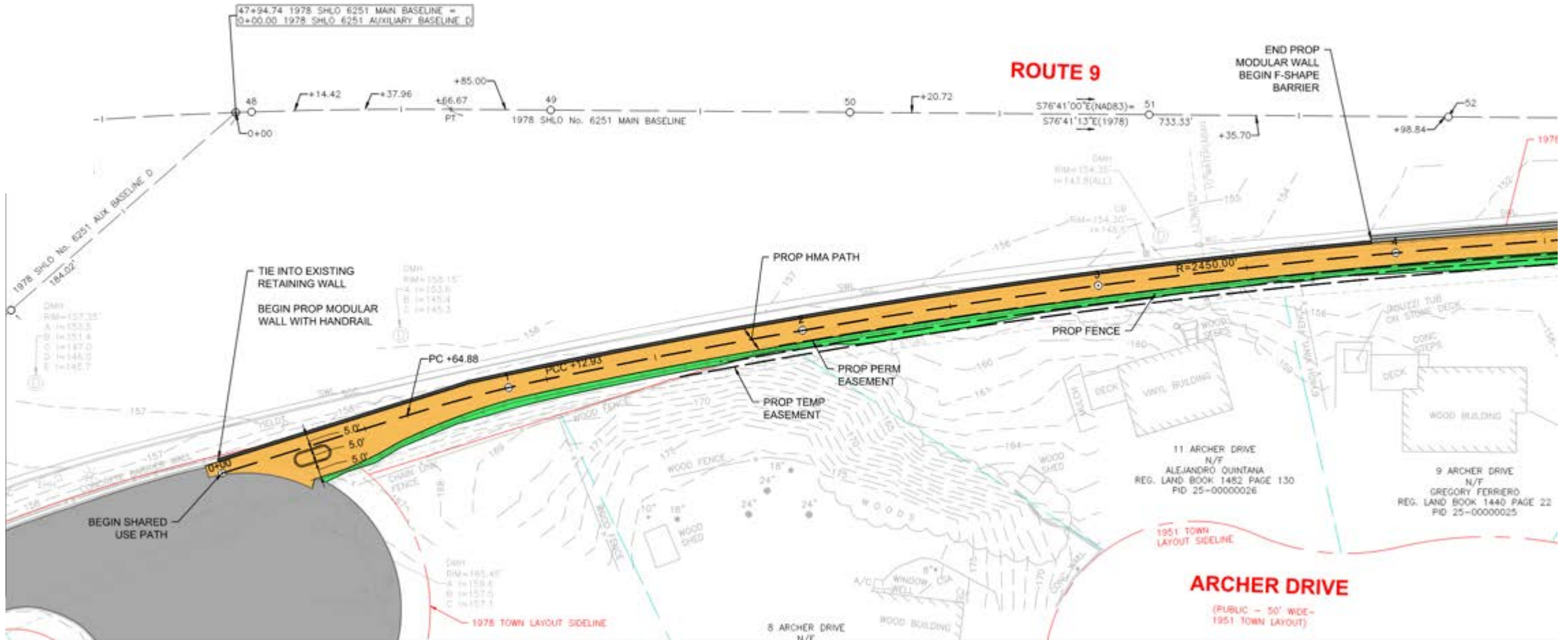


# Proposed Concept



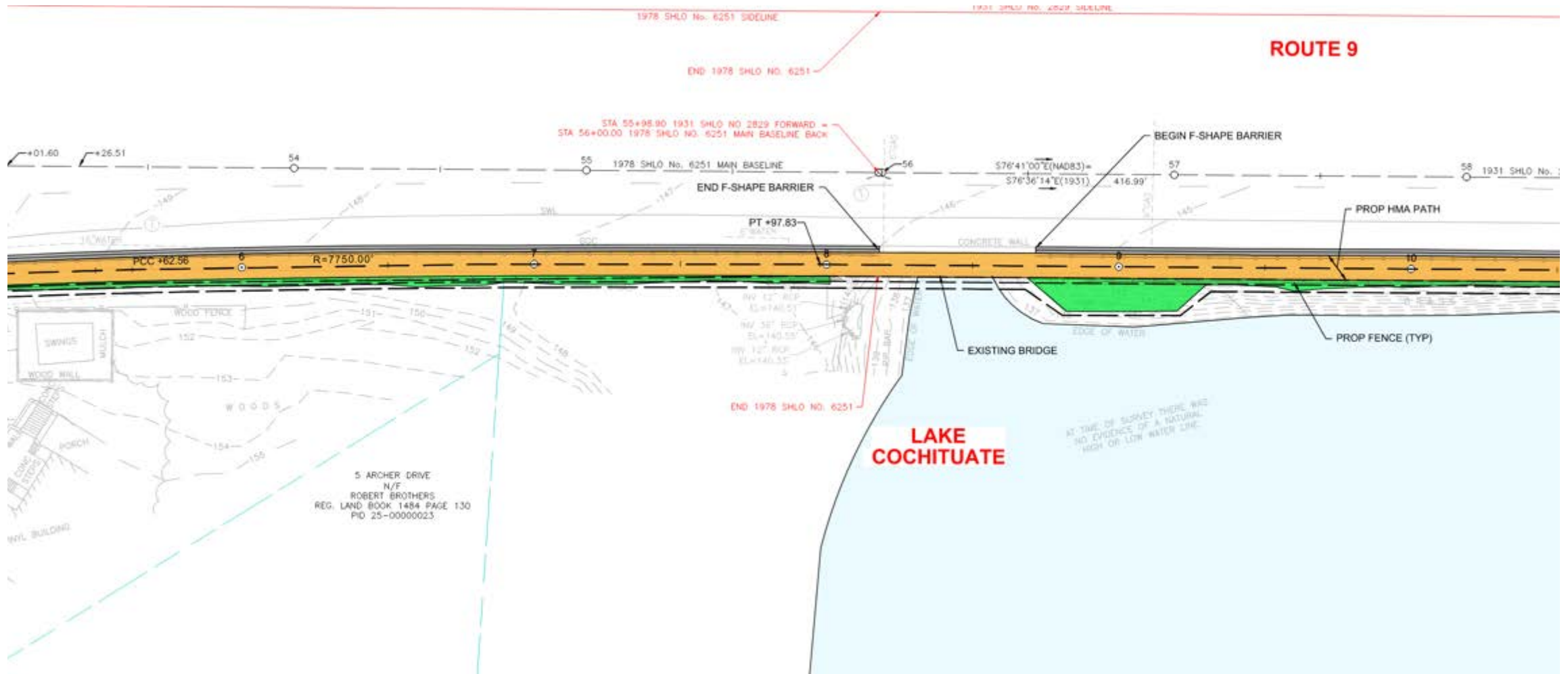
Proposed path at Speen Street Connection

# Proposed Concept (cont.)



Proposed path along Hartford Street and Archer Drive

## Proposed Concept (cont.)



## Proposed path along Lake Cochituate and Archer Drive

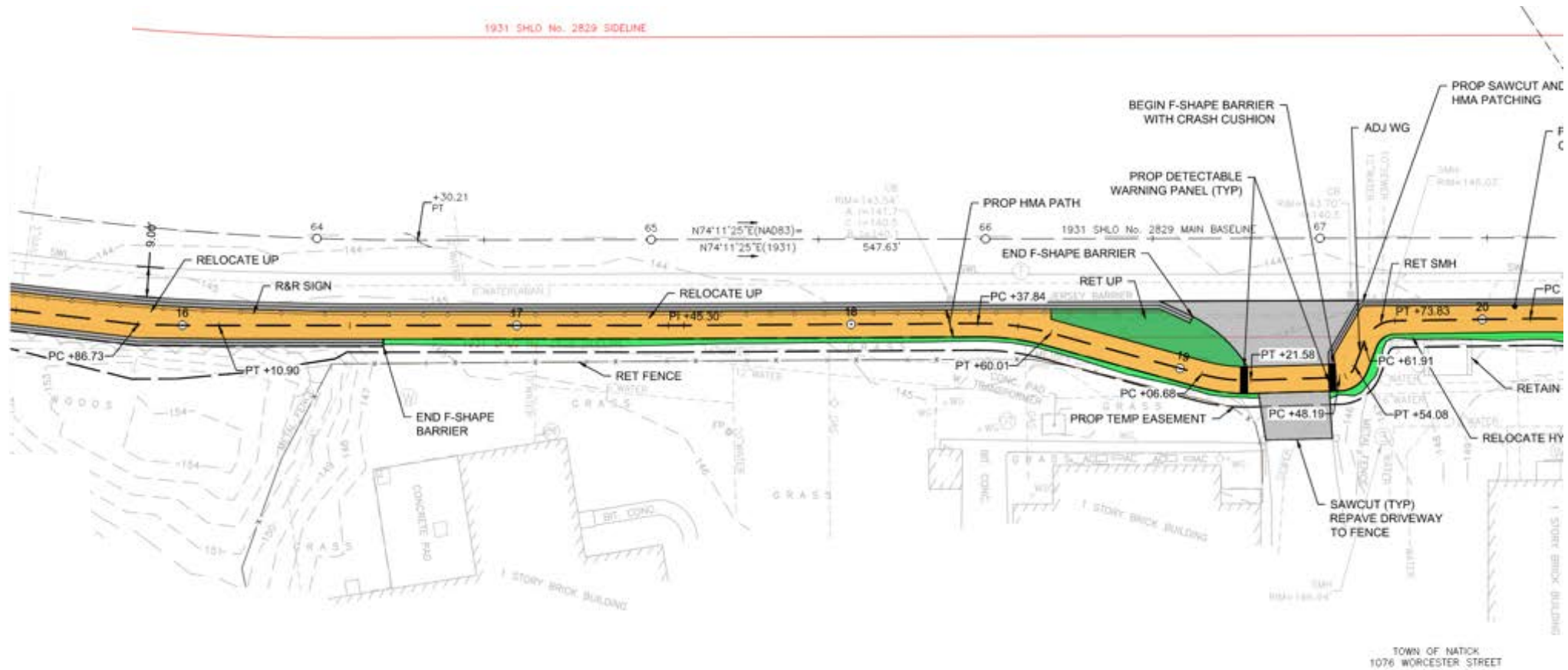


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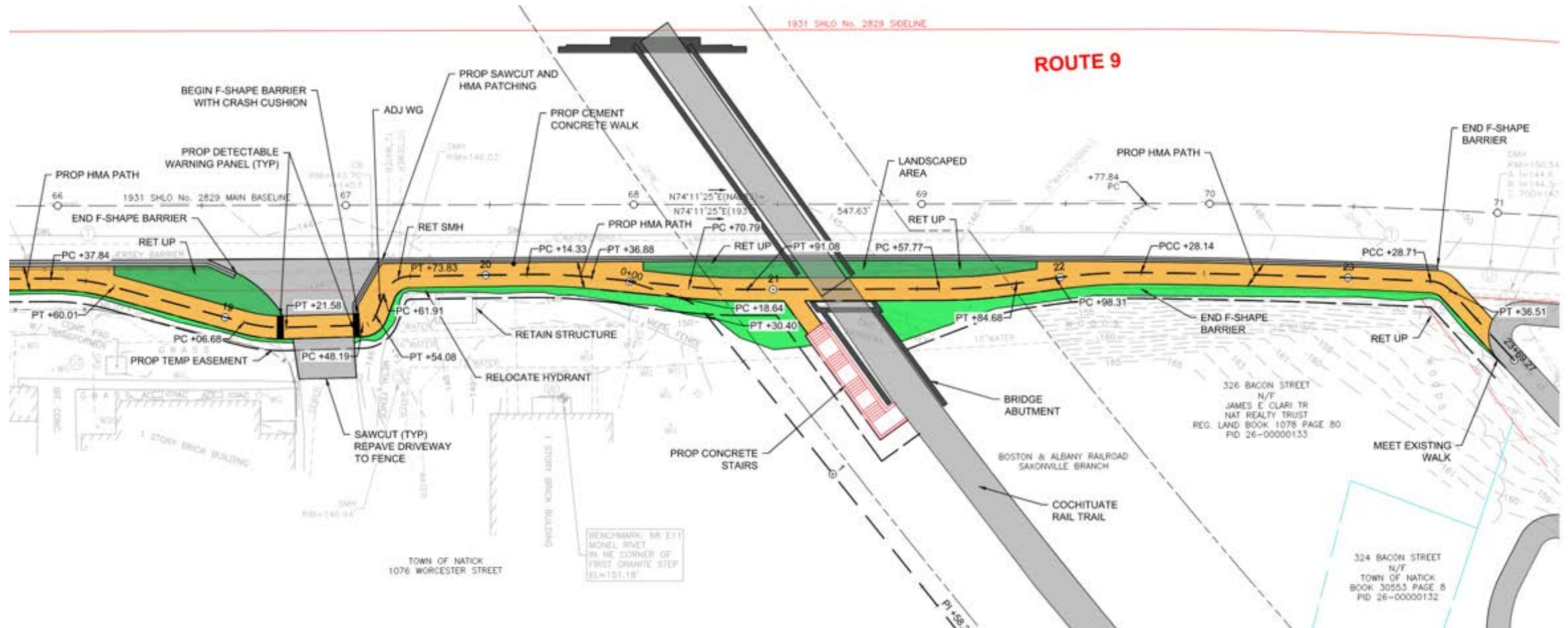
Proposed path along Lake Cochituate

## Proposed Concept (cont.)



Proposed path at Water Treatment Plant

# Proposed Concept (cont.)



Proposed path at Cochituate Rail Trail



## Potential Project Impacts

- Path will impact fence and back of properties along Archer Street
  - Extends less than 10' from state Right of Way
- No physical changes to Hartford Street
- Widened connection for path from Speen Street to Hartford Street
- No changes to Route 9 Bridge over Lake Cochituate

# Project Timeline

25% Design Submittal  
March 2021



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2024/2025

# Questions

## Instructions

- Please share only one question or comment at a time, limited to 2 minutes, to allow others to participate.
- To ask a question via phone, dial \*9 and the moderator will call out the last 4-digits of your phone number and unmute your audio when it is your turn.
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- Questions asked in the Q&A box during the presentation will be answered in the order received.



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Thank You!

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